

## Force:

- mass  $\times$  acceleration
- Something that causes an object to move
- Newtons 2nd law (all ...)
- Measured in Newtons
- vector?
  - friction... now or later?
  - relationship with pressure?
  - how much is 1 N, practically?
  - forces act on everything constantly
  - keeps stuff stable
- Ways to apply force:
  1. Contact
  2. Field
- Examples:
  1. Applied, friction, normal, spring
  2. Gravitational, electric, magnetic, weak, strong

## Newton's Laws:

1. Object in motion/at rest stays in motion/at rest unless acted upon by outside force.

$$2. \sum \vec{F} = m\vec{a}$$

$$\sum \vec{F}_x = m\vec{a}_x \quad \sum \vec{F}_y = m\vec{a}_y$$

3. Forces come in pairs.

Force:

How transferred:

Weight →  
force due to  
gravitational  
attraction

Field

$$\vec{F}_w = m\vec{a}_g$$

Normal → always  
perpendicular to  
a surface

Contact

$$\vec{F}_N$$

Friction →  
Two types:

Static

Kinetic

Coefficient of  
friction for each

Contact

$$\vec{F}_f = \mu \vec{F}_N$$

Spring → restoring  
force

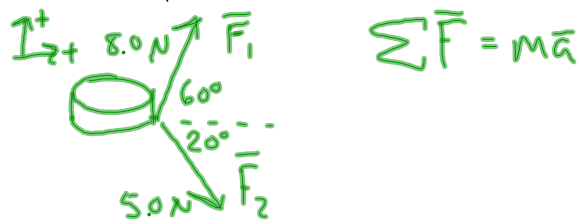
Contact

$$F_s = -kx$$

All springs have a  
spring constant (k)

## Force Notes and Practice Problems

A hockey puck having a mass of 0.30 kg slides on the horizontal, frictionless surface of an ice rink. Two hockey sticks strike the puck simultaneously, each exerting a force. The first stick's force is 5.0 N at 20 degrees south of east, and the second stick's force is 8.0 N at 60 degrees north of east. Determine both the magnitude and the direction of the puck's acceleration.



$$1) \Sigma \vec{F}_x = m\vec{a}$$

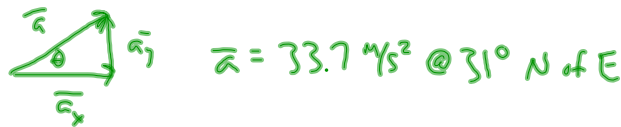
$$F_{1x} + F_{2x} = m\vec{a}_x$$

$$\begin{aligned} a_x &= \frac{F_{1x} + F_{2x}}{m} \\ &= \frac{(8.0 \text{ N}) \cos(60^\circ) + (5.0 \text{ N}) \cos(20^\circ)}{(0.30 \text{ kg})} \\ &= 29 \text{ m/s}^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Sigma F_y = m\vec{a}_y$$

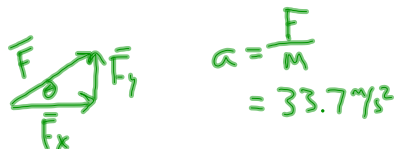
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$$\begin{aligned} a_y &= \frac{F_{1y} + F_{2y}}{m} \\ &= \frac{(8.0 \text{ N}) \sin(60^\circ) - (5.0 \text{ N}) \sin(20^\circ)}{(0.30 \text{ kg})} \\ &= 17.3 \text{ m/s}^2 \end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned} 2) \Sigma F_x &= F_{1x} + F_{2x} \\ &= 8.69 \text{ N} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Sigma F_y &= F_{1y} + F_{2y} \\ &= 5.27 \text{ N} \end{aligned}$$



Units: newtons

$$1 \text{ N} = 1 \frac{\text{kg} \cdot \text{m}}{\text{s}^2}$$